



Iowa Aviation Bulletin

Countdown to Kitty Hawk

The Experimental Aircraft Association (EAA) and National Park Service (NPS), partners in EAA's "Countdown to Kitty Hawk" program presented by the Ford Motor Company, unveiled the "50 Flags to Kitty Hawk." This is an initiative in which EAA-member pilots will play a significant role in helping celebrate the achievements of the Wright brothers and 100 years of powered flight.

EAA's "50 Flags to Kitty Hawk" program will select one EAA-member pilot from each of the 50 states to fly that pilot's respective state flag to the Wright Brothers National Memorial in Kitty Hawk, N.C., during calendar year 2003. Each pilot will also carry a proclamation from that state's governor declaring the day of the flight "50 Flags to Kitty Hawk Day."

Upon arriving in Kitty Hawk, each EAA-member pilot will be welcomed by the National Park Service and take part in the official NPS welcoming ceremonies. Following the ceremony, the flag of the pilot's state will be raised and flown throughout that day at the National

Memorial. Pictures of the pilots, their state flags and the date of their "50 Flags" flights will be honored on EAA's "Countdown to Kitty Hawk" Web site (www.countdowntokittyhawk.org), and updated reports will appear in EAA's *Sport Aviation* magazine and weekly E-hotline updates.

"The partnership between Wilbur and Orville Wright resulted in one of our nation's crowning achievements, controlled powered flight in a heavier than air machine," said Larry Belli, superintendent of the Wright Brothers National Memorial. "Countdown to Kitty Hawk" and "50 Flags to Kitty Hawk" are the result of a partnership between the world's leader in recreational aviation and the world's premier preservation and conservation organization.

"We welcome EAA-member pilots to Kitty Hawk to join the world in a fitting, year-long tribute to two of America's greatest heroes."

All pilots making the flight will also receive a commemorative "50 Flags to Kitty Hawk" certificate of participation

from EAA. At the end of 2003, plans call for the 50 flags delivered by EAA's member pilots to be used as part of a permanent EAA/NPS "50 Flags to Kitty Hawk" display at the Wright Brothers National Memorial site.

Pilots wishing to participate in EAA's "50 Flags to Kitty Hawk" program should contact EAA by filling out a pilot criteria sheet that will be available on the "Countdown to Kitty Hawk" Web site after Jan. 1, 2003. Participating pilots will be responsible for securing their state flags and governors' proclamations, notifying the NPS of the date of their planned flights, and coordinating media coverage of the event in their local media. Details and instructions will be provided on the pilot criteria sheet.

Highlighting EAA's Countdown to Kitty Hawk, is the planned flight of an exact reproduction of the 1903 Wright Flyer on Dec. 17, 2003, at Kitty Hawk, N.C. For more information regarding the program, check the official Countdown to Kitty Hawk Web site (www.countdowntokittyhawk.com).





Director's Corner

Our office is off to a great start in 2003. We are excited to be working on several projects that will promote the "Centennial of Flight." Dec. 17, 2003, marks the 100th anniversary of Powered Flight. On Dec. 16, 2002, Governor Vilsack proclaimed December 2002 as the kickoff month for the year-long celebration of the Centennial of Flight.

One of the accomplishments we are excited about is the DOT's sponsorship of the building of a half-scale model of the Rite Kite Flyer. We will have the kite on display at Fly Iowa 2003 in Cedar Rapids, and also at the Office of Aviation booth at the Iowa State Fair.

Another initiative for the office this year is to partner with the FAA's Central Office Runway Safety Training Program to educate and promote safety of Iowa's airports. Dennis Lawsen and his Runway Safety Action Team (RSAT) have built a tremendous program that has helped reduce significantly the number of runway incursions in the central region. RSAT brings the training to Iowa airports quite often and members of our office will be attending sessions in the future. (You can find these training dates on our calendar of events on iawings.com.) Elsewhere in this issue, you will find a full story on Dennis and RSAT, the work they are doing, and contact information for them.

Seven members of the Aviation Advisory Council completed their two-year terms at the end of 2002. Harry Rasdal, Ron Remmers, Richard Schnoes, Jerry Bradley, Barbara Sloniker, Marty Dougherty and Ralph Heninger all left the council with our sincere thanks and appreciation. The following people have accepted the DOT's invitation to serve on the council:

Glenn Januska

Sioux Gateway Airport/
Col. Bud Day Field

Bill McGinn

Council Bluffs Airport Authority

David Maahs

Ames Chamber of Commerce

Kevin Foley

University of Dubuque

Steve Black

Ottumwa Flying Service

Tim Busch

Rockwell Collins

Jeff Davidson

JC Cog

Jim White

John Deere

I look forward to working with the new members and the new ideas and perspectives they bring.

Michelle McHenry

Wright plane builder dies at 103 103 years — a lifetime and an era in flight

Ralph Charles, 103, who built planes for Orville Wright and was one of the nation's oldest pilots, died Feb. 2 in Somerset, Ohio, of pneumonia. He last flew in 2001 and appeared on NBC's "Today" show when he flew a plane on his 100th birthday in 1999.

Cherokee pilot receives FAA Longevity Award

The federal government has presented a special longevity award to a Cherokee, Iowa, man who had been an aircraft pilot for a half-century.

E.B. Woodward, 70, works part time at the Cherokee airport and received the award from the Federal Aviation Administration, said agency spokesman Joseph Quiring.

Young Eagles Program

The EAA Aviation Foundation's Young Eagles program introduced a record 115,000 young people to the world of flight during calendar year 2002. The volunteer Young Eagles effort has now reached more than 875,000 young people since its introduction in July 1992.

The record total during 2002 also places the program in an excellent position to reach its goal of one million Young Eagles by Dec. 17, 2003 - the 100th anniversary of the Wright brothers' first powered flight. A flight representing the one million Young Eagles is planned at Kitty Hawk, N.C., next Dec. 17 as part of EAA's Countdown to Kitty Hawk celebration, presented by Ford Motor Company.

"As the Young Eagles total grows and we approach the centennial of flight, you can certainly feel the excitement among the Young Eagles pilots and ground volunteers," said Steve Buss, executive director of the Young Eagles program. "The goal of one million Young Eagles seemed so far away just a few years ago, but now it's right there for us to achieve. We hope that other pilots join us during 2003 and enjoy being part of what has become the largest youth aviation education initiative ever created, as well as a very fulfilling way to pass along the love of aviation to a new generation."

Boone Airport awards prizes



Nate Booth, left, recently provided a free flight to Will Moul, center, and Eric Baker, right, after they won the Boone Municipal Airport's essay and art contest. The contest was open to Boone High School students.

Photo: Chuck Hockenmiller, Boone Today



Aviation Association Update



Iowa Aviation Promotion Group/ Aerospace Education

Fly Iowa 2003 plans are well under way for the annual Iowa Air Fair July 5- 6, 2003, at the Eastern Iowa Airport in Cedar Rapids. This year's event will have special emphasis on the centennial of powered flight. There is a strong Wright brothers connection to Cedar Rapids. The Wright brothers lived in Cedar Rapids for about three years while growing up.

The Aerospace Education Council has set the following dates for its 2003 programs:

Western Iowa Teacher Workshop
June 10 - 11 at Sioux City

Youth Aviation and Space Camp
June 15 -18 at the 4-H Camp, Madrid

Eastern Iowa Teacher Workshop
July 1-2 at Cedar Rapids

The teacher workshops are designed to give educators ideas, materials, and the motivation to incorporate aerospace topics and projects in the classroom. The workshops include a day of intensive class work, and on the second day a field trip to the airports at Sioux City and Cedar Rapids to observe aviation activities first hand. It is anticipated that up to 30 teachers will attend each workshop.

The youth camp is designed for ages 9 through 12, and can accommodate up to 50 boys and girls. It includes a field trip to the Boone Airport, with tours, demonstrations and many interesting projects designed to stimulate the campers' imaginations and create interest in the study of mathematics and sciences. This will be the second year for the youth camp, which was successfully launched in 2002.

The Iowa Aviation Promotion Group, including the Aerospace Education Council, is beginning a major membership drive. Anyone who believes that

aviation is vital for Iowa's economic growth and development, and there is need to get youth excited about aviation, should join. Annual dues for participating members is \$20, and \$100 for corporate members.

For membership information and applications, call Chuck McDonald, secretary/treasurer, at 515-964-1398.

Space Grant Consortium

The Iowa Space Grant Consortium (ISGC) and the E-SET (Extension—Science, Engineering and Technology) program are offering a teacher workshop at two locations this summer, and a youth camp. The workshop, "Exploration of



Aviation and Aerospace," will be held at Western Hills AEA 12 in Sioux City June 10-11, and at AEA 10 in Cedar Rapids July 1-2.

During the workshop teachers will learn about some of the resources that can be checked out from the ISGC and E-SET. These include kits on robotics, global positioning systems,

rocketry, engineering and aviation. On the second day participants will tour the Iowa Air National Guard's facilities, FAA control tower and Sioux Gateway Airport, and NASA Regional Educator Resource Center. Opportunities in aviation-related careers will be shared.

Information on registering for the Sioux City workshop will be available in March or April at www.aea12.k12.ia.us. Information on the Cedar Rapids workshop, which will be held in conjunction with Fly Iowa 2003 (July 5-6 at the Eastern Iowa Airport), can be obtained at www.aea10.k12.ia.us.

The camp, "Travel Your Universe: Rockets, Robots, Airplanes, Stars and DNA," is for youth ages 9-12 and will be held June 15-18 at the 4-H Educational and Natural Resource Center in Madrid. Youth will build and launch rockets, design and program robots, and experience airplanes and helicopters. On-line registration will be available in late February at www.extension.iastate.edu/4H/pgm_info.html, or contact Steve Truby at struby@iastate.edu or 515-294-2078.

State airport improvement and general aviation vertical infrastructure applications

Airport sponsors are encouraged to submit applications for airport improvement and vertical infrastructure projects. This year the application process for the two programs has been consolidated to avoid duplicating similar information. The application packet must be received in the Office of Aviation by April 7, 2003.

The State Airport Improvement Program funds airside projects such as runway, taxiway and apron rehabilitation and development; safety items such as lighting, fencing, obstruction removal, runway protection zone improvements; and airport layout planning. The program requires a local match. The General Aviation Vertical Infrastructure program funds hangar, terminal and fuel facility rehabilitation and development.

Funding for both programs is dependent on appropriations from the legislature. If funding is available, projects will be reviewed, prioritized and recommendations presented to the Transportation Commission in June.

More information on the programs can be found on the Office of Aviation Web site: iawings.com or by contacting Kay Thede at 515-239-1048, or kay.thede@dot.state.ia.us.



2003 Aviation Art Contest

State Winners

The theme for this year's contest is "100 Years of Powered Flight." The goal of the contest is to encourage young people to become more familiar with, and participate in aeronautics, engineering and science. The state winners' art will be entered in the national competition. About 30 state entries were received this year.

The sponsors of the International Aviation Art Contest are: The National Aeronautic Association, National Association of State Aviation Officials, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, and Federal Aviation Administration, in cooperation with the Federal Aeronautique Internationale.



Age 14-17

1st Place - Aaron Church, Cedar Rapids

2nd Place - Bryan Church, Cedar Rapids

3rd Place - Shelby Jacob, Des Moines





Age 10–13

1st Place - Aaron Heise, Iowa City

2nd Place - Jonathan Church, Cedar Rapids

3rd Place - Colton Penning, Radcliffe

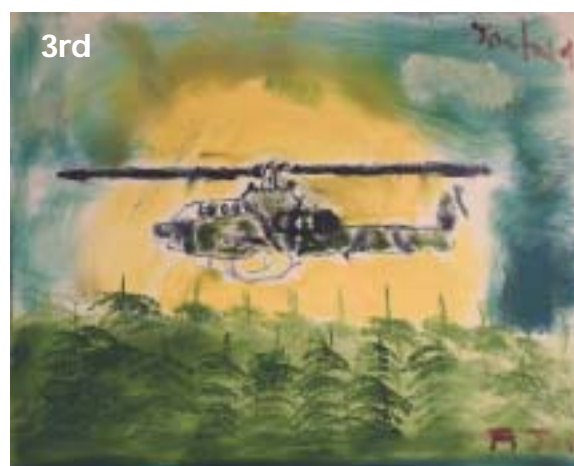


Age 6–9

1st Place - Kaitlin Church, Cedar Rapids

2nd Place - Cheryl Lee Creery, Cedar Falls

3rd Place - Joshua Hostetler, Bondurant



Safe in the central region

Roy Criss

In recent years, the efforts of the FAA's Central Region Office have dramatically decreased runway incursions at area airports. Much of the credit goes to FAA's Runway Safety Program and the work of Dennis Lawson and his Runway Safety Action Team (RSAT). Dennis and the members of RSAT have initiated an awareness campaign, coupled with a training program, to make the central region (Iowa, Nebraska, Kansas and Missouri) one of the safest in the United States. It takes everyone working together – FAA, the states' aviation divisions, airports and pilots – to decrease the

number of runway incursions.

Reducing runway incursions is one of FAA's top priorities. Incursions not only pose safety threats for people, they jeopardize businesses through loss of equipment and time. There are a number of ways to reduce incursions, and RSAT has been aggressive in working with each state to ensure that everyone is aware of how to make their airport safer.

A "runway incursion" is any occurrence at an airport with an air traffic control tower, involving an aircraft, vehicle, person or object on the ground that creates a collision hazard or results in

a loss of separation with an aircraft taking off, intending to take off, landing, or intending to land. Runway incursions are caused by pilot deviations, vehicle/pedestrian deviations, and controller operational errors. In 2000, 60 percent of the incursions were caused by pilots, while about 20 percent each were caused



Statewide marketing

We have been pretty busy working on Centennial of Flight issues. We sent out a brochure to all the public schools in the state, encouraging them to incorporate math and science, as they relate to aviation, in their curriculum. We also provided them with a list of several Web sites to learn more about the celebration, aviation, and aviation classroom activities.

The governor signed a proclamation signifying December 2002 as the official "kickoff of the year-long observation of the Centennial of Flight." You can see the proclamation on our Web site at iawings.com. We are making our Web site the central point in Iowa for information regarding Centennial of Flight activities. There is a hot link on the front page that takes you to a new page we have added solely for Centennial information.

We also have done general news releases, both radio and print, and will do specific releases as events occur throughout the year. We need your help in letting us know what is going on so we can get the word out. We have also added a news release page to the Web site.

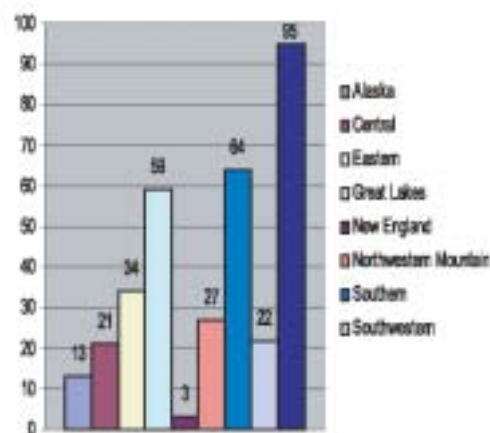
We are currently working on a poster (actually a mini-billboard) commemorating 100 years of powered flight. The billboard will highlight Iowa's accomplishments in aviation. This can be used in lobbies of museums, airports, travel agencies, and other transportation related facilities.

Score one for the good guys: We got Fly Iowa 2003 in Cedar Rapids recognized as an official event on the Centennial of Flight Web site at www.centennialofflight.gov.

Our traveling booth made an appearance at the two-day Midwest Regional Aircraft Maintenance Symposium and Trade Show. The show was held in Ames at the Hotel at the Gateway Conference Center on Feb. 7-8. We were glad to be able to help sponsor this yearly event with the FAA Flight Standards District Office 61 and Professional Aviation Maintenance Association (PAMA). This conference is very important and always well attended. We appreciate being partners with both of these groups.

Our first year of partnership with the Travel and Tourism Department at AIB Business College in Des Moines was very successful. Our video, "Iowa Airports Give Us a Lift," was made part of the curriculum. The students volunteered 40 to 50 hours in the information booth at the Des Moines International Airport, helping to distribute our marketing materials. Because of our sponsorship, the students were able to visit Des Moines area tourist attractions, which complemented their classroom studies. We are looking into expanding this sponsorship program into other Iowa cities with commercial airports.

Runway incursions per region in 2002



RSAT has created a safety training program that addresses three main areas of concern using runway incursion action teams to further educate the aviation community on how to improve runway safety: airfield marking, lighting and signage; problem intersections; and ground vehicle operations. Several training programs are scheduled in Iowa in the near future. Office of Aviation staff members will be attending these programs. You can find the dates and locations of these programs on our calendar of events at iawings.com.

One of the most high profile and successful ventures of Lawson and the RSAT team is the publication and distribution of their *Hot Spots/High Alert Intersections* brochure. (It is described as a "force multiplier" in the effort to mitigate the risk of collisions on runways.) RSAT has teamed with Jeppesen, one of the largest distributors of aviation-industry periodicals, to distribute the brochures in their materials. All Jeppesen subscribers automatically receive the alerts and updates.

RSAT's safety training programs are available on CD-ROM by contacting any team member at 816-329-3044, or on the Web at www2.faa.gov/arp/ace.



Commercial Service Airport Update

Des Moines International

Numerous airside and landside improvements were implemented at the Des Moines International Airport in 2002, all of which positioned Iowa's premier airport for future growth.

Iowa's longest runway was completed and officially opened for business in December 2002. At 9,002 feet, Runway 5/23 provides Des Moines with aircraft operational capabilities unparalleled in Iowa, and offers air traffic controllers the ability to direct aircraft landings and takeoffs over less densely populated areas of the metropolitan area, thus mitigating noise disturbances to area residents.

The airport's south cargo apron expansion project was completed late in 2002. This expansion provides ample parking space for up to six additional cargo aircraft. Des Moines's long-standing and ongoing commitment to air cargo will be further demonstrated in 2003 with construction of a new air cargo building and another expansion of the south cargo apron.

Variation in seasonal demand for air service, continued suppression of business travel, and the airline industry's struggle to return to profitability contributed to the fluctuation in both flight frequency and seat availability in Des Moines during 2002. The number of daily departures increased throughout the year from 61 in January to 70 in December. Seat availability, on the other hand, varied widely throughout the year, from a low of 8,068 in March to a high of 9,156 in July.

Additional terminal modifications were implemented to accommodate new security equipment and procedures. Passengers traveling through Des Moines are now beneficiaries of 100 percent baggage inspection and, despite new procedures, average wait times for passengers remain under 10 minutes, evidence of the Transportation Security Administration's dual commitment to aviation security and customer service.

Eastern Iowa Airport

There was nothing but praise and positive comments from the public for the Eastern Iowa Airport and its partners as it

handled an additional 3,400 passengers who flew to Florida in December for the Orange Bowl. The planning and execution were truly a team effort. Airport staff, the Transportation Security Administration (TSA), the fixed-base operator Piedmont Hawthorne; United Airlines, Northwest Airlines, area travel agents and many others all worked together and did whatever it took to make the travel experience a good one for passengers.

As mandated by the Federal government, the TSA is now conducting 100 percent checked-bag screening. The three explosive detection system machines are in the terminal and are being used to electronically scan checked luggage.

In air carrier news, United Airlines ended its mainline service in January after 56 years at the Eastern Iowa Airport. The airline's regional affiliate, United Express, has taken over the operations, maintaining 14 flights daily - seven arrivals and seven departures - between Cedar Rapids and Chicago or Denver. And, US Airways Express also ended service in January after 13 years. The airline had three daily flights to Kansas City using 19-seat turbo-prop aircraft.

Mason City Airport

End of the year passenger statistics provided by Mesaba Airlines confirmed a total of 13,961 enplanements for CY 2002. The airport administrative office was predicting enplanements of 14,000 for the year, but fell short of that total by 39 passengers. However, the month of December experienced a +4.28 percent increase in enplanements when compared to one year ago. Passenger activity has remained steady at the airport, with airport officials hopeful to increase enplanements for CY 2003.

The Mason City Airport Commission has reached its ticket trust goal of \$250,000, which is an important part of the success of the Air Service 21 Program. Airport and Northwest Airline officials will soon be scheduling a meeting to negotiate improved air service at Mason City.

The Local Experimental Aircraft

Association (Chapter 94) held its annual meeting Feb. 15, 2003, with the keynote speaker being Captain Al Haynes, the retired pilot of United Flight 232, the flight that crashed in Sioux City July 19, 1989. All proceeds from the ticket sales will go to charities in the name of Captain Haynes' co-workers who perished in the crash, and to scholarships for North Iowa Area Community College students.

The airport has been at full capacity for hangar space for several years and needs improvements to provide for general aviation building area expansion. In light of the need for hangar space, the airport commission approved a project to complete pavements and taxiway extension improvements this summer in the airport's private hangar area subdivision.

Quad City International Airport (QCIA)

The QCIA recorded its best December in history with 35,079 passengers departing the airport. This was a 26 percent increase over December 2001. Airlines showing increases for the month were: AirTran, up 11 percent; Northwest Airlink, up 31 percent; United Express, up 40 percent; and American Connection up 2 percent. End of year enplanements were 378,059, up 2 percent over 2001 figures.

On Jan. 3, Delta Connection began serving Cincinnati three times daily, adding 125 domestic and international destinations through Delta's second largest hub.

We had a sold out Orange Bowl charter departure, which ran smoothly from check-in to departure. Everyone who boarded was pleased with the ample parking and ease of check-in at a special charter counter. The group was treated to complimentary coffee, donuts and bottled water, courtesy of the airport authority. The attendees were from the Quad Cities and other surrounding areas.





Aviation Advisory Council Meeting Notes

Bob Dickson

My name is Bob Dickson and I am a new member of the Aviation Advisory Council. I am a professional pilot for Townsend Engineering in Des Moines and an active member of the Central Iowa Business Aviation Association (CIBAA). CIBAA is dedicated to providing a forum for aviation issues, creating a network for professional aviators, and fostering educational opportunities for young Iowans interested in aviation. This organization's membership feels passionately about issues facing Iowa's aviation community. Issues such as runway safety practices, aero medical concerns, and flight department management solutions are at the top of our list.

In addition to CIBAA and the Advisory Council, I also serve on the board of directors for Iowa Aviation Promotion Group and Aerospace Education Council. I was very involved with last year's Aerospace Youth Camp in Madrid. I believe that if today's kids are aviation-savvy, they will support their local airports when they become tomorrow's leaders.

I appreciate the opportunity to work with the Office of Aviation and advisory council to ensure that pilots' voices are heard, and I'm glad to give this report of the January 2003 meeting.

The meeting was held at the Des Moines International Airport and hosted by Bill Flannery, director of aviation. Here are the highlights of the meeting:

Tour of the facility: Emergency operations center, the snow desk and equipment facility

State Legislative Update: Michelle reported that there was a 40 percent turnover in legislators this year, so continuing to emphasize to our elected officials the importance of aviation remains a priority. A copy of a *Cityscape* story, entitled "Municipal Airports Impact Communities," was distributed, along with maps showing Senate and Congressional districts. Both can be used for talking points when meeting with officials.



Outgoing council members (left to right) Ron Remmers, Harry Rasdal, (Director McEnany) Ralph Heninger, and Jerry Bradley.

Federal Legislative Update: Kay Thede informed everyone that the 2003 appropriation bill has not been passed, and the FAA is operating under continuing resolutions. It is expected that an Omnibus Bill, including appropriations for 10 agencies, will be finalized early in the session. However, it may be unlikely identified airports will be placed in the bill.

Marketing Update: Roy Criss discussed the office's Centennial of Flight action plan: brochures to schools, Fly Iowa and State Fair exhibits, Web site upgrades, news releases, and a mini-billboard for museums and commercial airports.

The AIB Business College sponsorship for the travel and tourism class has been a great success. The office is looking to expand the program into other Iowa cities with commercial airports.

More than 1,000 copies of the "Explore Aviation in Iowa" brochure have been ordered by Iowa Welcome Centers. Roy will be speaking at upcoming Northern Plains Business Travel Association meetings.

Aviation System Plan: The office is creating an update to the plan. The goal is to meet the needs of Iowa's aviation system. A consultant will facilitate the action.

Insurance Pool: Michelle gave an overview of the objective, proposal and advantages and downsides. Eighty-four out of 113 (74 percent) airports responded to the survey. Of the 84, 58 percent have Old Republic Insurance Co. or Phoenix Aviation Managers, Inc. as their carrier. The two companies are one and the same.

Aviation Programs: The Office of Aviation is looking into developing an intern program. Roy Criss has contacted the state of Minnesota for information.

Kay Thede is looking into a cooperative purchasing program that would allow airports to buy paint through the DOT. Signage was also discussed.

Membership Recognition: Farewell and thank you gifts were given to seven members who completed their terms. The members were: Harry Rasdal, Ron Remmers, Richard Schnoes, Jerry Bradley, Barbara Sloniker, Marty Dougherty and Ralph Heninger.

The next meeting will be April 3 at the Scheman Building at ISU in Ames.



Aviation Calendar

Contact the activity host for more information

Iowa events highlighted in blue

March 16-18

National Aviation Environmental Management Conference
Fairmont New Orleans
New Orleans, La.
Info: 703-824-0500 ext. 198

March 16-18

AAAE Strategic Planning Workshop
Hilton Salt Lake City Center
Salt Lake City, Utah
Info: 703-824-0500 ext. 137

March 17

AAAE Passenger Facilities Charges Collection and Monitoring Workshop
Westin Grand
Washington, D.C.
Info: 703-824-0500 ext. 158

March 18-19

AAAE Rates and Charges Workshop
Westin Grand
Washington, D.C.
Info: 703-824-0504

March 18-19

ACI-NA FAA Aviation Forecast Conference
Washington Convention Center
Washington, D.C.
Info: lginn@aci-na.org

March 23

ACI-NA Small Airports Committee Meeting
Loews L'Enfant Plaza Hotel
Washington, D.C.
Info: jbanks@aci-na.org

March 23-26

AAAE/FAA Basic Airport Safety/Operations Specialist School
Embassy Suites Las Vegas Hotel
Las Vegas, Nev.
Info: 703-824-0500 ext. 173

March 24-25

AAAE/ACI-NA Spring Washington Conference
Loews L'Enfant Plaza Hotel
Washington, D.C.
Info: 202-293-8500

March 25

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-Towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting & Visit
Liberal Municipal Airport
Liberal, Kan.
Info: al.ctr.gorthy@faa.gov

March 26

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Dodge City Regional Airport
Dodge City, Kan.
Info: al.ctr.gorthy@faa.gov

March 30- April 1

AAAE Rental Car Industry Workshop
Snake River Lodge
Jackson Hole, Wyo.
Info: 703-824-0500 ext. 149

April 1-2

AAAE Ground Transportation Workshop
Snake River Lodge
Jackson Hole, Wyo.
Info: 703-824-0500 ext. 149

April 3-4

ACI-NA Customer Service, Education and Passenger Assistance Conference
Adam's Mark Hotel
Mobile, Ala.
Info: jwright@aci-na.org

April 6-8

AAAE Airfield Safety, Signage and Maintenance Workshop
Hilton Boston Logan Airport
Boston, Mass.
Info: 703-824-0500 ext. 176

April 9-12

ACI-NA Legal Issues Seminar and Committee Meeting
Pan Pacific Hotel
Vancouver, B.C.
Info: pahahn@aci-na.org

April 11-13

MOFF/IAFF Convention
Hannibal, Mo.

April 12

Chili fly-in
11 a.m.-2 p.m.
Fort Dodge Regional Airport
Fort Dodge, Iowa
(Rain day Sunday, April 13)

April 15

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Lee C. Fine Memorial Airport
Osage Beach, Mo.
Info: gordon.evans@faa.gov

April 22

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Hays Municipal Airport
Hays, Kan.
Info: grant.ctr.nichols@faa.gov

April 24

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Great Bend Municipal Airport
Great Bend, Kan.
Info: grant.ctr.nichols@faa.gov

April 25

IAPGI Board Meeting
Exec 1
Ankeny Airport
Ankeny, Iowa
Info: 515-964-1398

April 27

Fly-in breakfast/kite tournament
7 a.m.-noon - breakfast
2 p.m.-4 p.m. - tournament
Sac City Municipal Airport
Sac City, Iowa
Info: 712-662-7801

April 27-30

AAAE Conference and Exposition
LA Convention Center
Los Angeles, Calif.
Info: 703-824-0500 ext. 185

May 3

Flight breakfast
7 a.m.-10 a.m.
Pilots in command eat free
Free shuttle available
Pella Municipal Airport
Pella, Iowa
Info: www.pellatuliptime.com

May 4

Flight Breakfast
7 a.m.-12:30 p.m.
Charles City Airport
Charles City, Iowa

May 6

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Hastings Municipal Airport
Hastings, Neb.
Info: al.ctr.gorthy@faa.gov

May 7

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Beatrice Municipal Airport
Beatrice, Neb.
Info: al.ctr.gorthy@faa.gov

May 18

Flight Breakfast
7 a.m.-Noon
Sponsored by Cherokee Flying Club
Cherokee Municipal Airport
Cherokee, Iowa
Info: 712-225-2810

May 21

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Davenport Municipal Airport
Davenport, Iowa
Info: grant.ctr.nichols@faa.gov



May 22

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Clinton Municipal Airport
Clinton, Iowa
Info: grant.ctr.nichols@faa.gov

May 24

25th annual fly-in breakfast
Winfield, Iowa

June 1

Flight breakfast
6:30 a.m.–10:30 a.m.
Free to all Fly-ins
No ultralites, please
Audubon County Airport
Audubon, Iowa
Info: 712-563-2710

June 2-4

FAA Central Region Airports Conference
Kansas City, Mo.
Info: www.faa.gov

June 3

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Columbus Municipal Airport
Columbus, Neb.
Info: al.ctr.gorthy@faa.gov

June 4

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Karl Stefan Memorial Airport
Norfolk, Neb.
Info: al.ctr.gorthy@faa.gov

June 6-8

Quad City Air Show
Special attractions
Davenport Municipal Airport
Davenport, Iowa
Info: www.quadcityairshow.com

June 8

Algona Pilots Assn. Flight Breakfast
Starts 7 a.m.
Pilots in command free
Algona Municipal Airport
Algona, Iowa
Info: 515-332-4012

June 10

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Millard Airport
Omaha, Neb.
Info: dennis.lawson@faa.gov

June 10-11

Aerospace Education Council Teacher
Workshop
AEA 12
Sioux City, Iowa
Info: 515-964-1398

June 14

“Celebration of Flight” Air show
1:30 p.m.
Ottumwa Industrial Airport
Ottumwa, Iowa
Info: Steve Black 641-682-8044

June 15-18

Youth Aerospace Education Camp
Iowa 4-H Camp
Madrid, Iowa
Info: 515-964-1398

June 16

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Lee’s Summit Municipal Airport
Lee’s Summit, Mo.
Info: grant.ctr.nichols@faa.gov

June 24

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
North Platte Regional Airport
North Platte, Neb.
Info: grant.ctr.nichols@faa.gov

June 25

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Searle Field
Ogallala, Neb.
Info: grant.ctr.nichols@faa.gov

June 27

IAPGI Board Meeting
Exec 1
Ankeny Airport
Ankeny, Iowa
515-964-1398

June 29

18th Annual Fly-In
6 a.m. –Noon
Marion Airport
Marion, Iowa
info: Jan 319-377-0457
flyiowa@inav.net

July 1-2

Aerospace Education Council Teacher
Workshop
AEA 10
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Info: 515-964-1398

July 5 – 6

Fly Iowa
Cedar Rapids, Iowa
Info: www.FlyIowa2003.com

July 8

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Western Nebraska Regional Airport
Scottsbluff, Neb.
Info: dennis.lawson@faa.gov

July 9

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Alliance Municipal Airport
Alliance, Neb.
Info: dennis.lawson@faa.gov

July 13

Kiwanis flight breakfast
7 a.m.–12:30 p.m.
Pilots in command free
Featuring Taildraggers
Emmetsburg Airport
Emmetsburg, Iowa
Info: 712-852-3810

July 24-26

ILPA-IBDA
L-Birds Fly-In
Keokuk Airport
Keokuk, Iowa
info: Irv Lindner 319-524-6378 or
319-524-6203

Aug. 5

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Renner Field Goodland Municipal Airport
Goodland, Kan.
Info: grant.ctr.nichols@faa.gov

Aug. 7

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
M²Cook Municipal Airport
M²Cook, Neb.
Info: grant.ctr.nichols@faa.gov

Aug. 17

Fly-in, drive-in pancake breakfast
7 a.m.–noon
Breakfast free to pilots
Monona Airport
Monona, Iowa
Sponsor/contact: EAA Chapter #368
Info: 319-539-2769

Aug. 19

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Fort Dodge Regional Airport
Fort Dodge, Iowa
Info: dennis.lawson@faa.gov

Aug. 21

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Mason City Municipal Airport
Mason City, Iowa
Info: dennis.lawson@faa.gov

Aug. 22

IAPGI Board Meeting
Exec 1
Ankeny Airport
Ankeny, Iowa
515-964-1398

Aug. 24

Fly-in Breakfast
7 a.m.–noon
Pilots in command free
Displays & parachuting
Iowa City Municipal Airport
Iowa City, Iowa
Info: 319-338-9222

Aug. 26

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Ottumwa Industrial Airport
Ottumwa, Iowa
Info: al.ctr.gorthy@faa.gov

Aug. 27

Central Region Runway Safety Program
2003 Non-towered Airport
Runway Safety Meeting and Visit
Burlington Regional Airport
Burlington, Iowa
Info: al.ctr.gorthy@faa.gov

Sept. 20

Fly-in breakfast and air show
Breakfast: 6:30 a.m.–10 a.m.
Pilots in command free
Southeast Iowa Regional Airport
Burlington, Iowa
Info: 319-754-4601

Oct. 16-17

Annual Aviation Conference
Marriot Hotel
West Des Moines, Iowa
Info: 515-239-1691

Oct. 16

IAPGI Board Meeting
Marriot Hotel
West Des Moines, Iowa
Info: 515-964-1398

Dec. 12

IAPGI Board Meeting
Exec 1
Ankeny Airport
Ankeny, Iowa
Info: 515-964-1398

Federal Airport Improvement Program (AIP)

In January the Iowa Transportation Commission approved forwarding FY 2004 pre-applications to the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA) for possible federal airport project funding. General aviation airports submitted projects totaling \$21,146,828.

The state "Channeling Act" requires pre-applications for federal AIP funds to be recommended by the Iowa Transportation Commission for submission to the FAA. The Iowa DOT evaluated each pre-application, considering type of project, potential non-primary entitlement funds to selected airports, and development priorities from a state perspective. Projects will be reviewed and funding decisions made by FAA during the next year. The federal fiscal 2004 program begins Oct. 1, 2003.

The complete list can be viewed on our Web site, iawings.com, under "Federal Funding."

Rite Kite Flyer sponsorship

Two students from the Iowa State Aerospace Department contacted our office in the hopes that we could help them get the funds to build a half-scale model of the Rite Kite Flyer. It didn't take much discussion to decide that this fit right in with the initiatives of this office and promotion of "100 years of Powered Flight."

One of the goals of this endeavor is the promotion of aviation education and encouragement of other schools to find sponsors to purchase and build their own Rite Kite Flyer. The Flyer will also be used as a recruitment tool for the Iowa State Aerospace Department.

We will be visiting the students as they build the kite and monitoring their progress. We will have the kite on display at Fly Iowa 2003 in Cedar Rapids, and at the Office of Aviation booth at the Iowa State Fair.

Federal Legislation Update

By the time you read this, the Transportation appropriations for FY 2003 will be enacted. When the 108th Congress convened in January, an omnibus appropriations bill was created covering funding for 13 agencies for FY 2003. At press time, it appeared that the Federal Airport Improvement Program (AIP) would be funded at the authorized level of \$3.4 billion. Details of the funding levels will be highlighted in the next issue.

A record number of federal AIP projects are expected in Iowa during FY 2003. Since this is the third year of AIR-21, many airports will be using their general aviation entitlement funding. Depending on funding available, as many as 46 general aviation airports could be receiving federal funds during this fiscal year.

Security

The Transportation Security Administration (TSA) is now part of the newly created U.S. Department of Homeland Security rather than the U.S. Department of Transportation. The TSA will be maintained as a distinct entity for two years under the direction of the Under Secretary for Border Transportation and Security.

Reauthorization

Fiscal Year 2004 aviation funding will be dependent on reauthorization of AIR-21 unless a continuing authorization bill is passed to continue funding as authorized in AIR-21. Congress is facing an extremely busy session as several major reauthorization bills, including surface transportation and Amtrak, need to be addressed.

The Iowa DOT position on reauthorization can be found on the Web site: www.dot.state.ia.us/reauthorization/index.htm



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Dubuque

Dubuque Regional Airport will be undertaking a master plan this year, and the consultant selection process is currently underway.

A new addition to the Dubuque Regional Airport senior staff is Todd Dalsing, who will be the operations and maintenance supervisor. Todd has a 10-year background in airport operations, and is an aviation graduate from the University of Dubuque. Todd will be replacing Bob Boleyn, who accepted a position with the Transportation Security Administration.

The Dubuque Regional Airport will participate in "City Expo" April 15, 2003, at Five Flags, in Dubuque. All city departments hold an open house for the public, with display booths showing the community services they provide and exhibiting department equipment.